



Solano Subbasin GSA Collaborative Meeting

June 15, 2023 | 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. | Via Zoom

Participants

X	Solano Subbasin GSA Chris Lee		Solano Irrigation District Cary Keaten		Sacramento County Chris Hunley
X	Misty Kaltreider	X	Paul Fuchslin	X	Rodney Fricke, GEI Consultants
X	"Dick" Chun Tzou		Gerardo Santana		Kerry Schmitz
X	Northern Delta GSA Erik Ringelberg Chris Thomas	X	City of Vacaville Justen Cole		
X	Luhdorff & Scalmanini Engineering Vicki Kretsinger Grabert	X	Ag Innovations Jenn Fox		
X	Nick Watterson	X	Suzannah Sosman		
X	Faithe Lovelace		Guadalupe Garcia Genevieve Taylor		
Guests: Kelly Huff, Dixon RCD					

AGENDA

1. GSA Updates
2. GSP Implementation
 - a. State of the Subbasin
 - b. Upcoming Legislation, Well Permitting, and Funding and Related Topics
3. Stakeholder Engagement
 - a. Virtual Town Hall-June 1, 2023-Debrief
 - b. Newsletter, Infographic
4. Forecast GSA Roundtable Discussion for July 4th Meeting-Move or Cancel



MEETING NOTES

Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) Updates

- **Solano Irrigation District:** No updates at this time
- **Northern Delta GSA:** No updates at this time
- **Sacramento County GSA:** The GSA has been working with a consultant on sustainability in the Cosumnes Subbasin.
- **Solano Subbasin GSA:** The Solano Subbasin GSA Board of Directors met and approved the proposed budget. LSCE will continue to support projects and management action efforts, and Ag innovations will continue facilitation and community engagement.
- **City of Vacaville GSA:** Funding has been approved for GSA activities

Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Implementation

State of the Subbasin

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Implementation - Round 2 Draft Recommendation Award List

- The Department of Water Resources released their SGM Program's SGMA Implementation - Round 2 Draft Recommendation Awards List. The Solano Subbasin GSA was recommended for an award for its GSP Compliance and Implementation proposal. The recommended awards are conditional until final terms and conditions are agreed upon and an agreement has been executed.
- This grant award would help fund the following activities through April 2026:
 - GSP Implementation, Outreach, and Compliance Activities
 - GSP Monitoring and Data Management Enhancements
 - Supporting Groundwater Use Management Actions
 - Water Supply Replenishment and Reliability Projects
 - Grant Administration

Spring 2023 Conditions Update

- Water level minimum threshold exceedances occurred in 10 RMS monitoring wells in Fall 2022. RMS wells indicate various levels of water level rise relative to Spring 2022. Preliminary data indicates that we might be able to anticipate fewer minimum threshold exceedances in Fall 2023 resulting from increased recharge and decreased demand, because of the late precipitation and residual soil moisture. Expect to see some amount of enhanced recharge that may manifest in higher water levels in the Spring, and potentially persist further into the future.
- No access to some RMS wells previously monitored by DWR and the US Bureau of Reclamation. Will work to address these and other data gaps.
- Significant increases occurred in surface water storage in Lake Berryessa.



GSP Monitoring Webmap

- LSCE developed a GSP Monitoring Webmap, which improves visibility into well-monitoring data. The interface includes multiple features and filters based on GSA, location, etc. The map is currently in the development phase. The group discussed sharing the map publicly as an educational tool. They also discussed the level of detail provided through the Webmap and the need for communication with monitoring site contacts about the map.

Upcoming Legislation, Well Permitting, and Related Items

- Nothing new to report regarding well permitting
- Assembly Bill 676 (Bennett) has become more favorable as GSA's recommendations have been considered and language about the public trust will be removed. Interested GSAs will continue to advocate on related policy efforts.

Stakeholder Engagement

Virtual Town Hall-June 1, 2023-Debrief

- Ag Innovations extended a thank you to everyone that participated in the June 1st Virtual Town Hall. The meeting included a diversity of speakers offering updates on their work in the Solano Subbasin related to groundwater.
- In total 112 community members registered for the event and there were a total of 67 participants.
- Simultaneous Spanish Interpretation was provided, and two post-meeting survey respondents completed the Spanish questionnaire.
- During the Q&A segment, 32 questions were asked including 10 comments. Most questions were answered either live or in written form.
- A meeting summary, recording, and agenda are posted [here](#) on SolanoGSA.com.

Newsletter, Infographic

- A follow-up newsletter for the Virtual Town Hall was sent out to the Solano Subbasin GSP newsletter listserv. The State of the Subbasin Infographic was completed and posted to the [subbasin conditions page](#). It is a high-level summary of current conditions. Slides are available for GSA Collaborative members with this same information by request.

Forecast May meeting discussions

The GSA Collaborative Roundtable Meeting on July 4, 2023 will be canceled. The next GSA Collaborative meeting is on July 20, 2023 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm.

Meeting Adjourned